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UNDER 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97-98
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Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicant hereby submits the following Information Disclosure Statement. The references listed on the enclosed form PTO-1449 are submitted because it is believed that they may be considered by the Examiner to be material to examination of the above-identified patent application. These documents are not necessarily analogous art. It is respectfully requested that the Examiner consider these documents, and that the Examiner indicate consideration of the cited references by returning an initialed copy of the attached form PTO-1449.

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the Information Disclosure Statement filed herewith was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this statement. The undersigned further states that to the knowledge of the undersigned, after making reasonable inquiry, no document cited in the Information Disclosure Statement filed herewith was known to any individual designated in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56(c) more than three months prior to the filing of this statement. See 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e).

Accordingly, consideration of this Information Disclosure Statement is appropriate under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b). Thus, it is believed that no fee is necessary for consideration of this Information Disclosure Statement.

Copies of all cited references are enclosed.

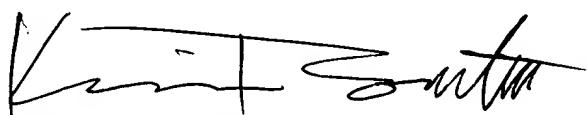
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The Commissioner is authorized to charge any necessary fees, and conversely, deposit any credit balance, to Deposit Account No. 18-1579.

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